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ALLIES LOST TROOP SHIP AND MANY MEN IN GIVING UP GALLIPOLI, BERLIN CLAIMS

WIDOW ACCUSED OF INCITING NEGROES TO KILL HUSBAND CAN'T GET SEPARATE TRIAL

Providence Court Overrules
First Motion Made on Be-
half of Mrs. Mohr.

BIG CROWD IS BARRED.

Accused Woman Is Pale and
Unemotional as She Pleads
"Not Guilty."

(Special From a Staff Correspondent
of The Evening World.)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 10.—The jury box was filled quickly to-day at the trial of Mrs. Elizabeth Tiffany Mohr for the murder of her husband, C. Franklin Mohr. Twelve jurors were selected at the opening session. The prosecution then protested the first juror obtained and he was excused. As the twelve had been selected subject to challenge each side might enter a protest against three of them.

Within ten minutes after recess the jury box was again made complete, but a vacancy was at once created by the excusing of a juror previously accepted because he was under treatment for grippe.

The box was filled for the third time and then began the challenges, made in writing in accordance with Rhode Island court procedure. One juror was excused on the defense's challenge.

"God save the State of Rhode Island and the Providence plantations," were the words intoned by a court officer on a raised platform at one side of the room with which the trial began. At this time the public had not been admitted to the courtroom, the only occupants of which, besides Judge Charles F. Stearns and the court attendants, were about two-score newspaper reporters and the colored attorneys appearing for Cecil Victor Brown and Henry Spelman, the negroes on trial with Mrs. Mohr and jointly accused of the murder, William K. Lewis, formerly an Assistant U. S. Attorney General and a noted Harvard center twelve years ago, appeared for Brown. The attorney for Spelman was John D. Edwards.

The public was not admitted at the start of the trial because of the great crowd at the doors. It had begun to gather early and by the time the trial began was large enough to fill the courtroom several times over.

The two negroes were brought into the court at 10:30 o'clock, and they had not been seated at their counsel table more than a minute when Mrs. Mohr, looking very white and slender in the high fur collar black coat and wide rimmed black hat she wore, came in with her counsel, Arthur Cushing. She took a seat at a table adjoining that at which the negroes were seated.

When the three defendants were called before the bar for pleading

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WILSON REFUSES NEGRO.

Will Not Again Appoint a Black to
Office in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—President Wilson to-day refused to appoint a colored man recorder of deeds in the District of Columbia, a place long held by colored men. He so informed Bishop Alexander Williams, president of the Colored Democratic League. Southern Democrats in the Senate had served notice that a colored man could not be confirmed.

HURRICANES POUND LINER CAMERONIA; TWO LOSE LIVES

Steamship Reaches Port From
Liverpool Two Days Late
After Wild Passage.

DECKS SWEEPED CLEAR.

Fireman, Struck by Wave,
Dies and Child Succumbs
to Seasickness.

Reset by gales and hurricanes from the day the Mersey lights were dropped astern, the steamship Cameronia of the Anchor Line, came into port from Liverpool to-day two days late and with two deaths entered on the ship's books, due to the wrath of the wind and sea.

On the last day of the old year the Cameronia was struck by a westerly gale that steered to the southwest and sent pounding seas against her bows, shaking the steamer from stem to stern. The slippery, lurching decks afforded no footing and the frightened and sickened passengers gathered below.

At the height of the gale Joseph Murphy, a fireman, came from below for a breath of air. As he stepped upon the forward deck a giant wave struck him with tremendous force. The fireman was thrown back against the superstructure. He was dragged unconscious to the ship's hospital, where he lived but a few minutes, his skull having been fractured.

The New Year dawned with a howling gale from the west-southwest that speedily developed into a hurricane.

The velocity of the wind was so great that the recording instruments reached their limit. It was at least a 100-mile an hour wind that drove the sea before it like tumbling mountains crowned with seething foam. Spindrift filled the air like a shower of fleeces. The navigators on the bridge could barely see through the flying water, and with difficulty the quartermaster at the wheel held the lurching vessel on her course.

New Year's Day was marked by howling winds that sent creaking aboard the liner crashing. The sea-sick passengers took no interest in celebrations, but clung breathlessly to cabin rails and gazed through ports at the ever mounting seas.

On Jan. 2 the body of fireman Murphy was dropped astern while a few of the more hearty passengers and a goodly portion of the crew stood on the plunging deck with heads uncovered.

That same day Henry Fleming, the three-year-old son of Mrs. John O'Brien Fleming, died. He had been seasick continuously and the efforts of the ship's physician were unavailing.

On Jan. 4 the Cameronia was hoisted in the plunging seas and the body of the little boy was dropped over the taffrail.

The gales and hurricanes were continuous until yesterday, and then strong cross seas made navigation difficult. The steamer was under reduced speed during the greater part of the voyage. Capt. David W. Bone and his navigating officers were exhausted upon their arrival in port from long watches on the sea-swept bridge.

SAILING TO-DAY.

Medan, Rotterdam, 12 M.
Kure, Archangel, 2 P. M.
G. of St. Louis, Savannah, 3 P. M.

Woman on Trial for Inciting Husband's Murder; Girl Who Was Wounded at Time He Was Slain



EMILY G. BURGER



MRS. ELIZABETH MOHR

HEMPSTEAD SPIKES STORY OF GIANTS' SALE TO GAFFNEY

Denies He's Tired of Base-
ball or Has Had Trouble
With McGraw.

Harry Hempstead this afternoon issued a statement in which he denied that the Giants are to be sold to James Gaffney or anybody else. Here is the statement in full, and signed by Mr. Hempstead:

"From many and different quarters comes the statement that the control of the New York Giants is about to pass from the present owners to several different interests. I would like to state that neither Mr. Gaffney nor any of his representatives has ever approached me regarding the purchase of the New York club. It has been a number of weeks since Mr. Sinclair has taken this subject up with me, therefore the public may be assured that so far as I know no sale of the Giants is pending.

The citizens of New York City have more than appreciated my efforts. I have no thought of being fired of baseball as has been suggested. Therefore, there are no difference between McGraw and myself.

"HARRY M. HEMPSTEAD,
President of New York Baseball Club.

JUSTICE CLARK AT WORK.

Justice John C. Clark, who was recently appointed to the Supreme Court bench for the year 1916 by Gov. Whitman, began his work this afternoon in Part 2, Trial Term.

In 1902-3 Justice Clark was Assistant Corporation Counsel of New York City, and has declined numerous judicial nominations and appointments. The Justice was a member of the law firm of Ginn, Clark, Packer, of No. 41 Nassau Street. He is chairman of Westport University Finance Committee, and President of the Board of Trustees.

STRAUS GETS LONG TERM ON P. S. COMMISSION

Governor Rearranges Board So
Chairman Will Fill J. Ser-
geant's Term.

ALBANY, Jan. 10.—Gov. Whitman rearranged the New York City Public Service Commission to-day to provide a long term for Chairman Oscar S. Straus, who originally was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Edward L. McCall.

Under the new order Mr. Straus will be appointed for a full five-year term, dating from Feb. 1, to take the place of J. Sergeant Crain, who goes out of office. Henry W. Hodge will be appointed to the unexpired term of Commissioner Wood, for three years. This leaves open for appointment a one-year term to fill the place of Commissioner Williams and a two-year term in place of ex-Judge McCall.

WHITMAN OPENS DOOR FOR RILEY'S DEFENSE

Brackett Urged to Rip Open Prison
Ring at Hearing Before Gov-
ernor To-Morrow.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 10.—There are prospects of a sensational political scandal to-morrow at the trial of Superintendent of Prisons John Riley before Gov. Whitman.

"I shall not refuse to hear anything Judge Riley wants to put in," said the Governor to-day when asked whether opportunity for defense would be afforded. If advantage is taken of this opening by Ex-Senator Edgar T. Brackett, counsel for Riley, the whole inside history of Sing Sing Prison's affairs is likely to be ripped open in the Executive Chamber.

Riley's friends to-day were urging Mr. Brackett to tear into the so-called prison ring. There will be conferences to-night in both the Riley and the Osborne camps to decide on plans.

WILSON EXPECTED TO NAME JOHNSON N. Y. POSTMASTER

Will Finally Decide To-Morrow
and Nomination May Go to
Senate in Few Days.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Joseph Johnson, Fire Commissioner of New York under Mayor Gaynor, has practically been decided upon as the next postmaster of New York. President Wilson and Postmaster General Burleson will have a final conference on the subject to-morrow and the nomination probably will go to the Senate within the next few days. Senator O'Gorman recommended three men, of whom Mr. Johnson was one.

The President and Postmaster General Burleson are expected to take up to-morrow the selection of a postmaster of Brooklyn. W. C. Barton was said by officials to-day to be foremost under consideration, although his appointment has not been finally decided upon.

GERMANS FAIL IN DRIVE TO OUTFLANK RUSSIANS

PETROGRAD, Jan. 10 (via London).—The struggles for the possession of Caucasia and Cernowitz are continuing with unabated ferocity over the Russian Christmas holidays. The efforts of the Germans to outflank the Russians at Bayan and thus relieve the pressure on the latter place has been checkmated by the Russians, according to reports from the front.

Despite fighting occurred in the streets of Caucasia on the several occasions which the town has changed hands. At present the Russians appear to be in possession of the place.

10,000 BRITISH TRAPPED, CONSTANTINOPLE REPORTS; LONDON CLAIMS VICTORY

Success in Battles Along the Tigris
Announced in Parliament—Am-
sterdam Rumor Says British Loss
at One Point Alone Was 3,000.

GEN. NIXON RECALLED BY BRITISH FROM ASIA

BERLIN, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Jan. 10.—A violent battle lasting for three days preceded the Anglo-French withdrawal from Gallipoli peninsula, according to Constantinople despatches to-day, reporting the greatest Turkish victory of the war.

"Turkish artillery sank an enemy transport filled with soldiers," Constantinople reported. "All the enemy's positions were occupied by Turkish troops and enormous piles of booty, as yet uncounted, were taken. In the final fighting a Turkish aeroplane shot down an enemy biplane of the Farman type near Sedd-ul-Bahr."

[The official British account of the evacuation said that the only casualty in connection with the withdrawal was the wounding of one British soldier.]

Schools in Constantinople have been closed and the city decorated in bunting in celebration of the Turkish victory at Gallipoli.

The Berlin newspapers to-day point out that the British suffered a severe loss in prestige, as well as enormous losses in men, ships and money. They recall Premier Asquith's declaration that Turkey committed suicide when she entered the war and also Winston Churchill's declaration that "through the Dardanelles leads the shortest way to peace." They also point out that large Turkish contingents are now free for actions in other war theatres.

BRITISH LOSE 3,000 IN BATTLE IN ASIA. AMSTERDAM HEARS.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 10 (via London).—A British force which apparently was on the way to reinforce the British at Kut-el-Amara, on the Tigris River, lost 3,000 men in an attack on Turkish positions at Sheik Said, according to a semi-official statement received here to-day from Constantinople. The attack is declared to have been repulsed.

"On the Iraq front," says the statement, "the enemy, whose strength is estimated at one division, which was stationed at Miam Alligardi in order to come to the rescue at Kut-el-Amara, on Jan. 6 and 7, under the protection of four gunboats, attacked our positions at Sheik Said, but was repulsed by our counter attack.

"We made some prisoners. The enemy losses are estimated at 3,000. The enemy cavalry suffered especially severe losses."

BRITISH REPORT DEFEAT OF TURKS IN ASIATIC BATTLE.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The British have inflicted a severe defeat on the Turks in Mesopotamia, it was officially announced in the House of Commons this afternoon. The Turks have been forced to retreat in "heavy fighting," it was stated, losing 700 prisoners and some guns.

Constantinople despatches, transmitted through Berlin to-day, reported that the Turks have cut off and surrounded 10,000 British troops at Kut-el-Amara. The official British statement, while not directly contradictory, casts doubt on the Turkish claim.

In telling the Commons the news

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